Jaipur has been undergoing rapid modernisation and expansion over the past few years. Under the draft Eighth Plan (1992–'97) it is proposed to contain the waiting period in the general category to two years in large systems, which include Jaipur, and to provide telephones practically on demand in rural and tribal areas.

Setting up of low Power T.V. Transmitter at Chittoor

1996. SHRI M.G. REDDY: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government had received any representation to set up a Low–Power T.V. transmitter at Chittoor in Andhra Pradesh; and

(b) if so, the action taken in this regard?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (KUMARI GIRIJA VYAS): (a) Representations have been received from time to time for the establishment of TV transmitters in the uncovered parts of Andhra Pradesh including the district of Chittoor.

(b) A low power (100W) TV transmitter is already functioning at Chittoor, the district headquarter town, providing satisfactory TV service within its coverage range. However, parts of Chittoor district do not get TV service due to intervening distance from this transmitter. The TV service in this district is expected to be considerably improved with the commissioning of a high power (10 KW) TV transmitter at Tirupati ans 2 low power TV transmitters one each at Kuppam and Madanapalli which are under various stages of implementation in Chittoor district.

Food Processing Industries

1997. SHRI PRATAPRAO B. BHONSLE:
SHRI GANGADHARA SANIPALLI:
SHRI B. DEVARAJAN:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of food processing industries set up so far, State–wise;

(b) the details of items being processed in these industries;

(c) whether the processed food is being exported or is for consumption in the country itself;

(d) whether there has been any beneficial effect of setting up of these food processing industries on the earning of farmers; and

(e) if so, the details of such industries proposed to be set up in each State during 1992?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) and (b). While information in regard to number of all food processing industries and the detailed item of their production/processing are not maintained centrally in this Ministry information with regard to number of rice mills, roller flour mills, fruits and vegetable processing units and sweetened aerated water manufacturing units that are registered under FPO and fish processing units State–wise, are given in the Statement attached I to IV.

(c) Processed foods are both exported and consumed within the country.

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) While this Ministry does not set up Food Processing Industries directly in any